

Food and Drug Administration Rockville MD 20857

NDA 12-380/S-029

Pfizer Inc. Attention: Denise Andrews Director, Worldwide Regulatory Strategy 235 East 42nd Street New York, NY 10017

Dear Ms. Andrews:

Please refer to your supplemental new drug application dated October 17, 2001, received October 18, 2001, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Zarontin (Ethosuximide capsules).

This "Changes Being Effected" supplemental new drug application provides for an update to the package insert for Zarontin product to reflect the addition of the Pfizer name to the labeling.

We have completed the review of this supplemental application, and have concluded that adequate information has been presented to demonstrate that the drug product is safe and effective for use as recommended in the draft labeling submitted October 17, 2001. Accordingly, this supplemental application is approved effective on the date of this letter.

The final printed labeling (FPL) must be identical to the submitted labeling (package insert submitted October 17, 2001, immediate container and carton labels submitted October 17, 2001).

Please submit the FPL electronically according to the guidance for industry titled *Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic Format* – *NDA*. Alternatively, you may submit 20 paper copies of the FPL as soon as it is available, in no case more than 30 days after it is printed. Please individually mount ten of the copies on heavy-weight paper or similar material. For administrative purposes, this submission should be designated "FPL for approved supplement NDA 12-380/S-029." Approval of this submission by FDA is not required before the labeling is used.

We also ask that, at the next printing of the bottle label, you update the storage statement to read "Store at 25°C (77°F); excursions permitted to 15-30°C (59-86°F). [See USP Controlled Room Temperature.]" and provide a copy of the actual bottle label for Zarontin Capsules in the next Annual Report.

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If a letter communicating important information about this drug product (i.e., a "Dear Health Care Professional" letter) is issued to physicians and others responsible for patient care, we request that you submit a copy of the letter to this NDA and a copy to the following address:

MEDWATCH, HF-2 FDA 5600 Fishers Lane Rockville, MD 20857

We remind you that you must comply with the requirements for an approved NDA set forth under 21 CFR 314.80 and 314.81.

If you have any questions, call Jacqueline H. Ware, Pharm.D., Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 594-5533.

Sincerely,

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